



WATER MANAGEMENT

Using a broad array of water management tools, CALFED's Water Management Program seeks to improve California's water supply reliability. The Water Management Program met its first year goals through the following actions:

- Developed a 2001 Operations Plan that describes how the state and federal water projects will coordinate their operations to integrate the Bay-Delta Accord, CVPIA, and Environmental Water Account requirements, and to provide water supply reliability assurances to Delta exporters.
- Allocated over \$200 million from Proposition 13 for short-term water supply and water quality improvements, including groundwater recharge and conjunctive use projects, irrigation system improvements, and grants and loans for water conservation and recycling.
- Completed deliberations on a Drought Contingency Plan to address the impacts of critical water shortages.
- Continued development of a framework for evaluating the benefits and costs of long-term water supply reliability options.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: The goal of the Water Management Program is to improve water supply reliability by reducing the mismatch between Bay-Delta water supplies and current and project beneficial uses dependent on the Bay-Delta system. In addition to projects described in the storage, conveyance, water use efficiency, and transfer program reports, the CALFED agencies are seeking to improve water supply reliability in the short-term by developing a 2001 Operation Plan with an Environmental Water Account, and a Drought Contingency Plan. The CALFED agencies also continued development of a framework for evaluating the benefits and costs of long-term water supply reliability options.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: To address short-term water supply and water quality needs, the CALFED agencies allocated over \$200 million to local agencies that draw supplies from the Delta. These include irrigation system improvements, ground water recharge and conjunctive projects, and grants and loans for water conservation and recycling.

The CALFED agencies developed an Operations Plan that describes how the state and federal projects will coordinate their operations in the 2000-2001 water year. The Plan integrates the Bay-Delta Accord,